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# City of Traverse City

**Thank You For  
Your Support!**

*Thank you for participating in the City of Traverse City's Gift Catalog. Because of continued support and donations from individuals and organizations such as yours, Traverse City is a great place to live and visit! Citizens of Traverse City and visitors now and into the future will appreciate your donation or gift.*

*A Citizen  
Participation  
Program*

**Gift Catalog**

City of Traverse City Gift Catalog

Traverse City is a special place and the citizens and businesses of the community have been active in maintaining the quality of life in Traverse City. What sets Traverse City apart from all other cities is the continued support from individuals and organizations such as yours.

This Gift Catalog has been presented to citizens to allow them the opportunity to support the community by donating and contributing toward an area, which is specifically important or special to them.

Please consider participating in the Gift Catalog. As you will notice, there is a variety of areas in which to participate. Staff will be glad to discuss and answer any questions regarding your selection possibilities. Simply complete the form in the back of this booklet or direct your inquiries to the City Manager’s Office (231) 922-4440 or any of the individual departments listed.

All orders should go directly through the City so that all equipment can be consistent and comply with City standards. The prices listed are approximate. To place an exact order and receive an exact price for an item, which may include shipping and handling, please contact the appropriate department as listed on the following pages

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Charitable Contributions

Regarding contributions or gifts, the City maintains that the Internal Revenue Code section 170(c) applies. That section reads as follows: “For purposes of this section, the term “charitable contribution” means a contribution or gift to or for the use of a state, a possession of the United States, or any political subdivision of any of the foregoing or the United States or the District of Columbia, but only if the contribution or gift is made for exclusively public purposes.”

Therefore, the City of Traverse City construes this to mean that a contribution or gift to the City of Traverse City would be a charitable contribution if it is made for exclusively public purposes. We suggest you contact a professional accountant to determine if this applies to you in whole or in part.

City Parks (Contact 922-4910)

More than 30 City parks are located throughout the community. These range from small neighborhood parks to the larger bay front parks, Hickory Hills and the Grand Traverse Commons. Traverse City is fortunate to have many park facilities. Your support will make one or all of these parks truly exceptional.

American flag replacements	\$50
Dog-waste replacement bags (case)	\$150
Vandalism replacement (miscellaneous)	\$50-\$1,000
Dog waste disposal systems	\$350
Trash receptacles	\$400-\$1,000
Bike racks	\$200-\$3,000
Informational signs	\$200-\$1,000
Park benches	\$500-\$1,200
Picnic tables	\$700
Drinking fountains	\$1,500-\$3,000
Playground equipment	\$1,000-\$50,000
Cast aluminum historical plaques w/post	\$2,000



**Natural Beauty (Contact 922-4910)**

Landscaping improvements in parks, streets and various locations around the City help sustain the community’s image as a “Great Lakes Paradise.”

Grass seed	\$5/pound
Perennials & ornamental grasses	\$10-\$20
Flat of annual flowers	\$10
Fertilizer	\$25/50 lbs.
Shrubs (flowering & evergreen)	\$20-\$50
Replacement irrigation parts	\$20-\$100
Flat of ground cover	\$30-\$50
Trees (many different species)	\$100-\$250
Landscape maintenance equipment	\$50-\$10,000
Site specific irrigation system around City	\$2,000-\$50,000
Fieldstone for walls	Varies
Limestone for walls	Varies



**History Center/Museum (Contact 995-0313)**

Citizen and corporate commitment will support the cultural and educational expansion of the museum.

Museum patronage single membership	\$25
Museum patronage family membership	\$40
Business sponsorship of social event	\$250
Business sponsorship of exhibition advertising	\$500
Business sponsorship of social event	Varies
Donate/sponsor museum exhibit	Varies





**Oakwood Cemetery (Contact 922-4910)**

Since the 1860's, Oakwood Cemetery has served the citizens of the Grand Traverse region. Your assistance will enhance the beauty and function of the cemetery. Memorial gifts are always welcomed.

Perennial flowers and shrubs	\$10-\$50
Veterans’ flag and marker sets	\$50
American flags - large	\$50
Directional signs	\$50-\$200
Trees	\$100-\$250
Recycled plastic trash receptacles	\$400
Cemetery benches	\$500-\$1,000

**Community Recreation (Contact 922-4910)**

The City provides various recreational activities year round, and donations for equipment and facility improvements are very much appreciated.

Bike path extension	\$20/lin ft.
Summer day camp activity supplies	\$20 - \$200
Sand for outdoor volleyball court	\$20/cubic yard
Advertising for Parks & Rec Programs	\$100-\$500
Swim area buoys	\$125
Lifeguard rescue equipment	\$100-\$500
Hickory Hills ski patrol/rescue equipment	\$100-\$2,000
Tennis nets	\$225
Decorative trash receptacles along the Boardman River	\$400-\$1,000
Bike racks	\$200-\$3,000
Hickory Hills ski tow rope (spool)	\$1,500-\$3,000
Three-row portable outdoor bleachers	\$1,000
Lighting for gazebo at F & M Park	\$2,000-\$3,000
Electricity at the amphitheater at Hull Park	\$3,000-\$5,000



**Senior Center (Contact 922-4911)**

The Traverse City Senior Center is a social, recreational and educational program for adults 50+. The Center provides a number of activities that offer adults an opportunity to explore their interests, meet new people and expand their knowledge. The Center depends on community support and donations to expand its offerings. The following items are needed:

Perennial plants for the memorial garden	\$10-\$20
Computer furniture for lab	\$75/chair \$150/table
Imprinted brick for new entrance	\$250
Park benches	\$500-\$1,200
Patio deck furniture	\$500/set
Picnic tables	\$700
Capital Building Campaign	Pledges vary



**Public Safety - Fire (Contact 922-4930)**

Fire protection is an essential service and contributions assist us in saving lives and property.

Flashlights	\$35
Suspenders	\$45
Firefighting gloves	\$50
Gear bag	\$60
Stethoscopes	\$60
Firefighting boots	\$150
Fire hose, each	\$150
Backboards	\$175
Fire helmets	\$300
Smoke ventilation fans	\$1,300
AED/Defibrillators	\$3,500
Thermal imaging camera	\$11,000

**Public Safety - Police (Contact 995-5151)**

Law enforcement is vital to our community and your support can be shown by donating a variety of items.

Printing/distribution of leaflets for public interest, safety, and crime prevention	\$400
Rechargeable flashlight	\$90
K9s (Luk & Zuk) Supplies & Vet Visits (per year)	\$1,000
Traffic radar	\$1,300
In-Car Camera	\$4,500
Body Armor for Reserves/Volunteers (each)	\$549



**Streets (Contact 922-4901)**

Improvements to our highly visible streets add to the safety, appearance and the enjoyment of these important public spaces.

Trash receptacles	\$400-\$1,000
Directional signage	\$200-\$1,000
Park benches	\$500-\$1,200
Catch basins	\$1,000
Barrier-free ramps	\$1,000
Drinking fountains	\$1,000-\$3,000





**Acts of Kindness (Contact 922-4440)**

For those who wish to support the City and, at the same time, express generosity to deserving individuals, sponsoring a service or admission is always a possibility.

Sponsor day camp for a youngster	\$100 week
Sponsor ski passes for a youngster or group:	
Resident (12 years of age and under)	\$110 each
Nonresident (12 years of age and under)	\$150 each
Resident (13 years of age and over)	\$130 each
Nonresident (13 years of age and over)	\$170 each
Sponsor an adult softball/volleyball team	\$460
Sponsor minimum water/sewer service bills paid monthly or yearly for the elderly/poor	Varies
Sponsor or loan local artist painting for display at City buildings	Varies

**Services (Contact 922-4480)**

The City is always looking for those motivated and community-minded individuals who have a strong spirit to help out and those individuals with special talents. If you wish to volunteer for a City project or you wish to serve on a City board or commission, please complete the Gift of Service form and include background information.

**Cash Donations (Contact 922-4440)**

If you wish to invest in your community but do not wish to make a selection from this catalog, a cash donation is always an option. The City will be glad to assist you in selecting an appropriate project for the cash contribution.

**Other Projects (Contact 922-4440)**

If you have your own idea for a project, City staff will be glad to work with you in its development.



**Gift of Service (Contact 922-4480)**

The City of Traverse City would not be what it is today without the many volunteers serving on the boards and commissions. Listed below are the current boards and commissions.  
Please think about serving, and making a great difference!

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

City:\_\_\_\_\_

State:\_\_\_\_\_ Zip:\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:\_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in serving on the following City boards or commissions:

- ☐ ACT 345 Retirement Board
- ☐ Brown Bridge Advisory Committee
- ☐ Downtown Development Authority
- ☐ Elections Commission
- ☐ Grand Traverse Commons Joint Planning Commission
- ☐ Historic Districts Commission
- ☐ Housing Commission
- ☐ Human Rights Commission
- ☐ Light & Power Board
- ☐ Local Officers Compensation Commission
- ☐ Parks and Recreation Commission
- ☐ Planning Commission
- ☐ Recreational Authority
- ☐ Tax Review Board
- ☐ Traverse Area District Library
- ☐ Zoning Appeals Board

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Please attach resume or other background information and mail to the City Clerk, 400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City MI 49684.

Please feel free to download an ‘Application to Become Involved’ from the City’s website (<http://www.ci.traverse-city.mi.us>) or contact the City Clerk’s office at (231) 922-4480.

**Gift Contribution Form (Contact 922-4440)**

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Organization:\_\_\_\_\_

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

City\_\_\_\_\_

State\_\_\_\_\_ Zip\_\_\_\_\_ Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Check Category Desired:

- ☐ City Parks
- ☐ Natural Beauty
- ☐ Oakwood Cemetery
- ☐ G. T. History Center/Museum
- ☐ Community Recreation
- ☐ Senior Center
- ☐ Public Safety - Fire
- ☐ Public Safety - Police
- ☐ Streets
- ☐ Acts of Kindness
- ☐ Services
- ☐ Cash Donations
- ☐ Other Projects

Mail to: City Manager  
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Please make checks payable to the City of Traverse City. Check with your accountant to see if your contribution is tax deductible.

Item name:\_\_\_\_\_

Number desired:\_\_\_\_\_ Cost \$\_\_\_\_\_

Location preferred:\_\_\_\_\_

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